

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL Address to: Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450	Application Number	09/594,284
	Filing Date	June 15, 2000
	First Named Inventor	Yoji KAWAMOTO
	Art Unit	2144
	Examiner Name	MANIWANG, Joseph R.
	Attorney Docket No.	09792909-4882

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

1. **Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114** Note. If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).
- a. ☐ Previously submitted. If a final Office Action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office Action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.
- i. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on ____.
- ii. ☐ Other ____.
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☐ Other ____
2. **Miscellaneous**
- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of ____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months. Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other ____
3. **Fees** The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.
- a. ☒ Applicant petitions the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for responding to the Office Action dated May 24, 2007 by one month(s) for a fee of \$120,000 so that the period for response is extended to June 27, 2007 under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136.
- OR-
- Applicant requested a two-month extension on _____, extending the time period for response to _____. Applicant petitions the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for responding to the Office Action dated _____ by an additional two-months for a fee of \$ _____ so that the period for response is extended to _____ under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136.
- b. ☒ The credit card payment authorization for the RCE fee is made via the electronic submission process.
- c. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge (if applicable) and any additional fees that may be required, or to credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 18-3140. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

14. ☒ Customer No. 26263
 Dated: 6-27-07
 Bradley S. Kurtz, (Registration No. 53,165)

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING OR TRANSMISSION

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being filed via Facsimile to 1-571-273-8300. Mail Stop RCE, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on the date shown below

Name (Print/Type) Sandra K. Gress
 Signature *Sandra K. Gress* Date June 27, 2007